



# WATERLEA SCHOOL



*He nui te akoranga ki Waterlea Great learning happens at Waterlea*

Hello, Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Bonjour, Talofa Lava, Taloha Ni, Bula Vinaka, Ni Hau, Namaste, Malo e Lelei, Deea awit, Sagutom, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Dia daoibh, Sillaw, Huan Ying, Hola, Konichiwa, Guten Tag, Здравствуйте

## Newsletter 13 March 2024

### Important Dates

14 March	Senior School Snorkeling Rms 5, 6, 9
15 March	PTA St Patricks Day Casual Clothes Day
15 March	Senior School Snorkeling Rm 7, 8, 9
21 March	Goat Island Trip Rms 5, 6, 9
22 March	Goat Island Trip Rms 7, 8, 9
25 March	Softball, Otahuhu College Sports Field
25 March	Board of Trustees meeting 7pm
27 March	Softball Rain Day
27 March	PTA AGM in Staffroom 2:30pm-3:30pm
28 March	Senior School Kayak Rms 7, 8, 9
29 March	Good Friday (school closed)
1 April	Easter Monday (school closed)
2 April	Easter Tuesday (school closed)
5 April	PTA Sausage Sizzle
5 April	Feet First Whaanau Walk to Ambury
6 April	PTA Paint & Sip Evening 6pm

An important aspect of Waterlea's Local Curriculum is the Mountains to Sea Project. The senior school tamariki are involved in this project every two years and our involvement provides integrated learning opportunities for our tamariki. Integrative learning experiences are ones which join different aspects of the curriculum and promote both academic and more social learning outcomes. Last week the senior school students had the opportunity to investigate their local marine environment. They were engaged in science, literacy and numeracy learning activities through water testing, kayaking and beach cleanups in our own backyard. The Mountains to Sea Project is run by the Conversation Trust and its aim is to empower tamariki, kura and communities by providing hands-on learning experiences in marine and freshwater environments. Later this week the students will learn some snorkelling skills at the Maangere Pools in preparation for their trip to Goat Island where they will have the opportunity to compare a marine reserve to their local marine environment.

Next term the learning continues, as the tamariki use their understanding of the marine and freshwater environment, and develop action plans that solve local and real life environmental challenges. We would like to thank CLM Community Sport for providing the funding so that Waterlea School's tamariki have this rich and engaging learning opportunity.





## Girls Cricket Team

Last week our girl's cricket team participated in the MOSA Interschool Cricket Tournament with some of the local schools and they enjoyed an action packed, fun filled day.

Check out the photos below.



## Girls Cricket Zones

We started our day on the classic bus journey like we were all sausages on a barbeque. That's how hot it was. When we got to our destination we got off the bus and found a spot to put up our gazebo so we didn't get wet. Before we knew it, it was time for our first game. The rest of us who weren't playing in that game had already figured out a chant. We played extraordinarily well. We hit lots of sixes, fours and we got some good wickets, as well as a few catches and run outs! At the end of the day we were extremely proud of ourselves and left the grounds with positive attitudes.

By Emma Luxmoore

### ST PATRICKS THEMED CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

On **Friday 15 March**, we have our first casual clothes day for the year—and we're theming it Saint Patrick's day.

So grab your green things, and get creative. We love to see what fun you can rustle up.

Please **bring a gold coin donation** in support of our fundraising efforts on Friday morning to give to your child's Kaiako.





### From the office

Just a reminder about school hours.

Teachers are in class from 8:30am and this is when children can be dropped off at school. Please note that your child may not be supervised if arriving before 8:30am. Classes begin at 8:50am. If your child arrives at school after 9:00am a late card is to be collected from the office.

All students should be collected at 3:00pm, please ring the office if you are held up and we will keep your child in the office until you arrive.

Please remember SKIDS is available for your child for before and after school care.

Please contact SKIDS directly to arrange after school bookings.




### Moth Plant Competition

Our school community has already collected over 800 of these pest plant pods.

Keep up the excellent work whanau!

There is a collection bin outside the school office.

This competition runs until May.



# SIP & PAINT

Date: 6 April 2024

Time: 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Where: Waterlea School Hall

Tickets: \$45 per person

Feel like letting your inner Picasso come to light? Come along to the Waterlea PTA sip and paint evening and create your own masterpiece.

Included in your ticket is: one glass of Tipping Point bubbles or non-alcoholic beverage, one snack platter and one canvas to take home.

To reserve tickets, please click here:

<https://forms.gle/FNiSvw2cT1vCCjKW7>



This fundraising evening is proudly brought to you by Tipping Point Wines



**Do you want to give your child the opportunity to enjoy fun experiences and learn new skills at school?  
Do you want to share the gift of music with your kids?**

## **DRUM LESSONS HELD ON-SITE AT WATERLEA PRIMARY!**

MusiqHub are excited to offer private drum lessons to students at Waterlea School, in a safe in-school environment, with trusted tutor Joshua Nelson.

Students have fun, while learning a range of traditional and contemporary styled songs and techniques where they play together as a group, and as individuals.

### **Three Easy Steps to Sign Up:**

**1. Email** ✓

[jp.carroll@musiqhub.co.nz](mailto:jp.carroll@musiqhub.co.nz)

*Expressing your interest, and any questions you might have*

**2. Find the right lesson time for your student** ✓


*JP will help you choose from the options that are available*

**3. Confirm enrollment** ✓

*Provide the details requested and get ready to rock and roll!*

**If you're ready to connect with your children over the excitement, fun and joy of music, get in touch now so we can help you begin this journey!**

## Upcoming Community Events



Ride for your chance to WIN a new bike!

**Weekly Monday Ride**

Every Monday in March  
6pm - 8pm

Join Triple Teez at the Waterfront Road Reserve for weekly guided rides of the new trial cycleway and beyond!



Waterfront Road Reserve

**BIKE RAVE**

Saturday 23 March  
6:30 pm - 9 pm  
Waterfront Road Reserve

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**EASTER EGG HUNT**

**29 MARCH**

Waterfront Reserve  
10 AM - 12 PM

FREE!

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